Fourth Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

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MESSAGE FROM MR. ALBERTO FUJIMORI, PRESIDENT OF PERU, TO THE FOURTH REVIEW CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS

In response to the challenges posed by international realities for over two decades, our countries proved capable of showing the vision to create an international instrument which, while limiting the possession of nuclear weapons to a small number of countries, committed us all both to bringing an early end to the arms race and, more importantly, to achieving nuclear disarmament.

The situation of East-West confrontation which formed the context for the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons, giving hope to humanity, has begun to give way to a new phase of co-operation and interdependence between the two great military blocs, which will inevitably involve a fresh appraisal of commitments under the Treaty. For that reason, the time has come to honour the obligations relating to nuclear disarmament, as part of the process of advancing towards general and complete disarmament under strict and effective international control.

In this connection, we hope that the Fourth Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons will constitute a decisive step towards consolidating a non-proliferation régime beyond 1995, under which all the States parties may see their security interests duly protected.

To this end, I undertake that Peru will deploy all its efforts at this Fourth Review Conference as a further contribution by my country to the strengthening of international peace and security.

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